

REMARKS

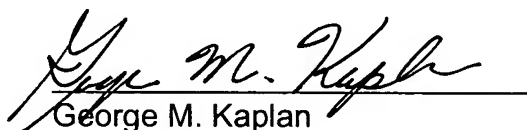
The claims in the application are 1-20.

Favorable consideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The claims have been amended to eliminate all multiple dependencies with Claims 12-20 added. The specification has also been amended for formal reasons.

Early favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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